AVLB Description / Characteristics



Operational Requirement

Provide an MLC 70 Assault Gap Crossing Capability of up to 18M for Heavy BCT with Mobility Sufficient to Keep Pace with the Abrams/Bradley Supported Force

Requirement Needs to be Finalized

Today's AVLB

- **Low Readiness, Currently 77%**
- ➤ Technology Largely Obsolete:
 - → Fielded in 1960s, Oldest 36, Avg. Age: 24 Years
 - **→1950s Technology without Major Upgrade**
 - → Slow
- ➤ Worldwide Density:
 - →703 Launchers
 - **→850 Bridges (74 MLC 70)**

Block Upgrades Planned

- ➢ Block I (Readiness):
 - → Hydraulics
 - **→**Electrical Systems
 - **→**TDP Done
 - **→**Can be Done with PAA
- Block II (Readiness/Mobility):
 - **→Suspension Upgrade**
 - **→**Can be Done with or w/o Block III

- **▶Block III** (Mobility):
- → Powertrain Upgrade
- → Tech Demo Exists
- → Requires Block II & RDTE \$
- ➤ Block IV (Bridge):
 - → MLC 70 Crossing Capability
 - → 74 Bridges Already Fielded
 - → Requires PAA to Continue Production

AVLB will be in the Fleet until 2030

